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1. FRG HAS ALREADY GIVEN CLEARANCE TO GERMAN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS IN IBRD AND IMF TO APPROVE

PROPOSED 10.2 PERCENT SALARY INCREASE. WHILE FINANCE MINISTRY OFFICIALS ASSURE US THAT THE FRG WILL TAKE ANOTHER LOOK AT ITS POSITION IN VIEW OF THE POINTS MADE IN REFTEL, THEY INDICATE THAT THERE IS LITTLE LIKELIHOOD OF A REVERSAL OF THE DECISION TO APPROVE. THE FRG LOOKS AT THE SALARY INCREASE MAINLY IN TERMS OF CONTINUING TO ASSURE HIGH ENOUGH IMF/IBRD SALARIES TO ATTRACT GERMAN PERSONNEL. SINCE GERMANS EMPLOYED BY THE IMF/IBRD HAVE OF NECESSITY SOME DM EXPENDITURES THEY HAVE BEEN SOUEEZED DURING RECENT YEARS BY REPEATED DM REVALUATIONS AND THE FRG HAS DIFFICULTY ATTRACTING HIGHLY QUALIFIED PERSONNEL FOR IMF/IBRD JOBS. THE FRG ALSO FEELS THAT CONTRARY TO VIEWS EXPRESSED IN REFTEL IMF/IBRD SALARIES ARE NOT SUBSTANTIALLY IN EXCESS OF COMPARABLE GERMAN ONES.

2. THE GERMAN GOVERNMENT HAS NOT YET ARRIVED AT A POSITION CONCERNING THE IMF/IBRD PENSION PROPOSALS. WE HAVE BEEN ASSURED THAT OUR VIEWS WILL BE TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION, BUT FINANCE MINISTRY OFFICIALS ALSO STRESS THAT SINCE GERMAN EMPLOYEES OF THE TWO ORGANIZATIONS COULD BE EXPECTED TO RETIRE IN GERMANY THEY HAVE BEEN PARTICULARLY HARD HIT BY THE REPEATED REVALUATIONS OF THE DEUTSCHEMARK. HILLENBRAND

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